

EARLY CHRISTIANS THOUGHT 40 HOURS ENOUGH FOR LENT

Lent is still spoken of as a season of fasting, and once meant forty hours of fasting, and not forty days. The early Christians kept a strict unbroken fast for forty hours from the afternoon of Crucifixion Day to the morning of the Feast of the Resurrection. In 840 Lent was proclaimed by the Nicean Council to mean forty days, from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday, Sundays not included. This decree resulted from the likeness of Lent and the fast which Christ observed in the wilderness after he was baptized by John, and the forty days spent by Moses and Elias in the wilderness and the forty days' grace given in the preaching of Jonah to Nineveh.

The Greek church observes four Lents each year. These periods are kept with absolute strictness. There is no meat eating, no party giving, and no diversions of any kind. Many Greeks never taste meat except on two days in the year, Easter and New Year's.

The Roman Catholics are also strict observers of the Lenten season. During this period they have only one big meal a day, and that preferably at noon. Breakfast consists of a small piece of bread with tea or coffee, and in the evening they again partake of a light meal. Sunday is never a fast day, either in the Catholic faith or the Episcopalian.

Lent, as observed in the Episcopal Church, does not require abstinence from food but rather from worldly pleasures. Each person must work out his own special form of sacrifice. "Fasting in itself is of little meaning," said the Rev. J. H. George, Jr., rector of the Calvary Episcopal Church, "but the atmosphere that it gives of devotion, prayer and good work, is believed to be worth while. The value of Lent is in the training and exercise of our better nature."

Mr. George believes that University life puts a great strain upon the students at the season of Lent. There are so many things going on which are purely pleasure that it is hard for students to not participate. He says a great many do not live up to the Christian belief, but those who are really loyal to their church do not find Lent hard to observe.

OLD MASTERS ON SALE TODAY

Rembrandt's and Fairthorne's Among Those Auctioned Off in New York.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Fifty thousand dollars worth of old masters from the collection of Frederick R. Halsey will be auctioned off at the Anderson Art Galleries here, beginning today.

This is the seventh section of the Halsey collection to be sold and will bring the total sales from the collection up to nearly \$400,000, \$100,000 more than any similar sale on record. Later sales from the collection probably will bring the total close to a million dollars.

Among the most interesting of the picture on sale today are "Christ Healing the Sick" and "Christ Before Pilate" by Rembrandt, and "Catherine of Praganza," "Henrietta Maria" and "Oliver Cromwell," valuable originals of William Fairthorne, one of the most celebrated of the seventeenth century portrait engravers.

AGAIN COMBINE WINS ELECTION

J. M. Giltner All-Junior President—Four Victories This Year.

The agricultural-engineering combine defeated the associated departments yesterday afternoon in the Agricultural Auditorium, when it elected the following junior class officers: President, J. M. ("Mike") Giltner; vice-president, Paul C. ("Pete") Knowlton; secretary, Miss Thelma Thomas; treasurer, Maurice ("Skinny") Witt. The combine has elected the four class presidents this year. They are: Joseph Black, freshman president; Melton Foster, sophomore; J. M. Giltner, junior; Grant Wyatt, senior.

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District Board Awaits Outcome of Hawes Bill Before Acting.

No plans have been made for the work on the special road district and, according to Judge J. A. Stewart, nothing of a definite nature can be done until it is known how the passage of the Hawes Good Road Bill will affect the amount to be expended. Judge Stewart said this morning that as soon as the board learned definitely how much is at its disposal, it will be in a position to plan accordingly, but until then it has nothing on which to base its program.

As soon as this information is obtained, which will probably be in a month, the board will investigate the district and begin its improvement at once. The members of the board other than Judge Stewart are T. H. Murray and F. H. Russel.

Governor Gardner has named the four members of the State Highway Commission, which was created by the Hawes Good Road Bill, and they were confirmed yesterday by the senate. The commission is bi-partisan. The Democratic members are C. O. Raine of Canton, president of the Missouri State Grange and chairman of the good roads commission of the National Grange of America, and E. L. Sanford of Springfield. The Republican members are A. C. McKibbin of Clayton, a newspaper man who has been assisting in the good roads legislation, and George E. McIninch of St. Joseph, who for years has been active in the movement for good roads.

Mr. McKibbin is well known in Columbia. He was here at the last Farmers' Week and helped arrange the trip of the St. Louis business men who attended Farmers' Week. Also he was a speaker at the luncheon given by the Columbia Commercial Club for the St. Louis delegation.

PAGEANT BOOKS SENT SCHOOLS

Secondary Institutions Are Urged to Imitate University Production.

C. H. Williams, secretary of the University Extension Division, has mailed 400 copies of the School of Education pageant books to accredited high schools of Missouri in the hope that the schools will undertake pageants of their own. Enthusiastic replies are being received and interest manifests in the idea.

Other members of the University faculty are interested in public school pageantry, too. Miss F. Louise Nardin, instructor in English, says, "The pageant seems especially fitted to schools because it can correlate the various school activities and give them a lively motive, and because it can use as actors and producers the whole student body, finding a place for talent of any kind and degree. As the search for pageant material surely sends the makers of the pageant to history and literature, the pageant not only deepens local consciousness but enlightens it and links in with vital elements of culture."

Professor J. S. Ankeny of the art department says, "All high school departments could contribute to a pageant because it gives a common focus for the varied activities of the students. Students in English could write the lines, art students could design the costumes and stage setting, and work them out in co-operation with the manual training and domestic science students. Co-operation of this sort could be used in all the departments."

It would help people understand that great finished products are made up of simple parts well done and put together in their proper relation to each other, for pageantry embodies the same activities and desires that result in great cathedrals that are monuments of the race that builds them."

Carl C. Taylor assistant in the so-

ciology department says that pageantry in the future will be one of the great means of moulding public opinion. The St. Louis pageant of 1914 which was a colossal production with the support of the whole state, and the one on which Kansas City is planning to spend more than \$90,000 next fall, indicate that the citizens of large communities of Missouri realize the possibilities that pageantry offers for community co-operation.

D. A. R. CONVENTION NEXT MARCH

Kansas Woman Will Be Competitor for the National Presidency.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—Presidency of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be sought by Mrs. George Tacher Guernsey of Independence, Kan., at the national convention of the D. A. R. here the latter part of next month.

Mrs. Guernsey amazed the national organization by the thoroughness with which she came into the race prepared. It was known she sought the place, but it was not known she had secretly obtained the backing of forty-three states on the basis of her outlined policy.

Mrs. George G. Squires of St. Paul, Mrs. John Miller Horton of Buffalo and Mrs. J. Hamilton Lewis of Illinois are Mrs. Guernsey's opponents for the presidency, which now is filled by Mrs. William Cuming Story of New York. Mrs. Story is said to favor Mrs. Lewis to succeed her.

GEOLOGISTS TO ST. LOUIS

3 M. U. Men to Attend the Annual Convention Next December.

The Geological Society of America will hold its annual convention in St. Louis, December 27, 28 and 29. Its membership includes representative geologists from the United States, Canada and Mexico.

The convention was obtained for St. Louis largely through the efforts of Prof. E. B. Branson of the University who co-operated with the geologists in the Mississippi Valley in a successful movement to bring the convention to a middle western city.

The University will be represented at the convention by Professor Branson, Prof. W. A. Tarr and D. K. Greger of the geology department. Mr. Greger will exhibit a collection of Missouri fossils, while Professor Branson and Professor Tarr will be called upon to take part in the program.

PROHIBITIONISTS TALK FRIDAY

Winner of Contest Will Represent M. U. in Contest at Liberty.

Five speakers will compete for the prizes offered by the Intercollegiate Prohibition League in the oratorical contest to be held Friday night in the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium. The first prize will be \$15; the second, \$5; the third, \$2.50. The following topics have been selected by the speakers: "City and Democracy," A. F. McClanahan; "The Dawn of a New Era," Frank I. Satterlee; "The Cry of Children," James A. Quinn; "Demand for Heroes," K. W. Blomeyer; "The Last Trench," Harry E. Rasmussen.

The winner of the contest will represent the Missouri chapter in a state contest at Liberty late in April. The judges Friday night will be Dr. A. W. Taylor, L. W. Walker and Ralph Finley.

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The question was: "Resolved, that the federal government should own and operate the railroads of the United States." Carthage upheld the affirmative; Aurora, the negative. The decision of the judges, Superintendent, W. W. Thomas of Springfield Schools, J. W. Shannon of the Springfield Normal, and L. E. Meador of Drury College, was two for the negative and one for the affirmative.

The Aurora team is composed of two boys in the senior class, Alfred Munday and Royle Ellis. They will now be matched with the winning teams of one of the three other districts, probably the northwest, for the semi-finals. The final debate will be held at the University of Missouri, where the champion debating team of the state will be determined.

NEW ATHLETIC PLAN EXPLAINED

Miss Katherine King, Delegate to Conference, Talks to Women.

Miss Katherine O. King, the University of Missouri delegate to the Athletic Conference of American College Women at Madison, Wis., March 9 and 10, talked last night at the meeting of the Women's Athletic Association of the University at Rothwell Gymnasium. She outlined the point system which the conference proposed. A girl who wins her sweater gets additional points for her work later, and for a certain number of points above the amount required to win a sweater she gets a blanket.

Commerce Club Poses for Picture

The Savitar picture of the Commerce Club of the School of Business and Public Administration was taken at 3 o'clock this afternoon in front of the Commerce and Geology Building. The club, recently formed, includes students in this school and the freshmen and sophomores who intend to enter. The purpose is to bring business men of the state to Columbia to lecture on current problems.

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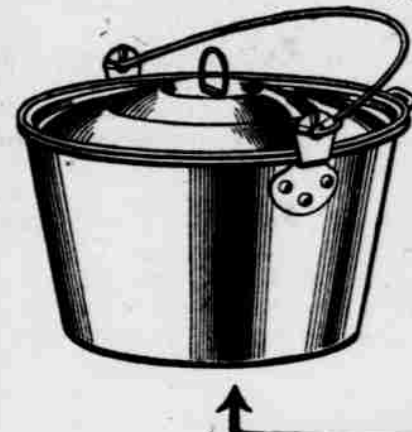
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